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A fishing vessel being delivered from a Western shippard to the USSA at Murmansk in January 1957 was ordered to travel around the northern coast of Norway and Sweden to reach 1ts port. The reason given was that the White Sea Canal route has numerous places where a ship with a draft of over two meters cannot pass. For the same reason, submarines cannot be brought into Murmansk through the White Sea Canal.

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